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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is a:

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of the above-identified copending prior application in which no patenting, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred. Priority to the above-identified prior application is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for this continuing application. The entire disclosure of the above-identified prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuing application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

Enclosed are:

- Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (38 pages).
- Informal drawings (3 sheets, Figures 1-8).
- Preliminary Amendment.

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Basic Fee				\$710.00	=	\$710.00
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